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CALIFORNIA MAN INDICTED FOR TRAVELING TO ARIZONA TO HAVE SEX WITH MINOR CHILDREN

PHOENIX, ARIZONA -- The United States Attorney's Office for the District of Arizona announced that on April 24, 2002, a federal grand jury at Phoenix, Arizona, returned a two count indictment against AARON BONNER, (D.O.B.) 2/16/54, of San Mateo, California.

The indictment charges BONNER, who was arrested on April 5, 2002, with traveling into the District of Arizona for the purpose of engaging in sexual acts with boys under the age of 18 year. He is currently released under the supervision of the District Court's Pre-Trial Office.

The federal indictment charges BONNER with violating Title 18 of the United States Code, Section 2423(b).

Each conviction for Traveling with Intent to Engage in Sexual Acts with a Juvenile carries a maximum penalty of 15 year(s), a \$250,000.00 fine or both.

An indictment is simply the method by which a person is charged with criminal activity and raises no inference of guilt. An individual is presumed innocent until competent evidence is presented to a jury that establishes guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

The investigation preceding the indictment was conducted by the United States Custom Service.

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The prosecution is being handled by Vincent Q. Kirby, Assistant United States Attorney, District of Arizona, Phoenix, Arizona.

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